

Roanoke County Budget Update – March 13, 2012

The Roanoke County Board of Supervisors received a budget update from County staff members during an afternoon work session on March 13, 2012. The presentation began with information from Assistant County Administrator Diane Hyatt on proposed changes by the General Assembly to the Virginia Retirement System (VRS). On Saturday, March 10, the House and Senate enacted legislation that requires local government employees to pay the 5 percent Virginia Retirement System member contribution beginning July 1. Local employers must give a 5 percent salary increase to offset the annual contribution. Ms. Hyatt was asked to update the Board on the impact this legislation will have on employees and the County's finances. She presented the Board with a two-page report outlining what is known regarding the legislation at this time but cautioned that it is still so early that not a lot of information was available. She ended the presentation by noting that the legislation, as it is written now, would cost the County a minimum \$400,000.

[Link to Ms. Hyatt's report - "VRS Changes from Saturday, March 10, 2012."](#)

The County's Management and Budget Director also presented information on the FY 2012/2013 budget preparation. Brent Robertson shared a PowerPoint with the Board. During the presentation, Mr. Robertson provided an update on the County's projected revenues and expenditures. He explained that the County's various departments had been asked to trim their budgets by a total of \$1.4 million. The cuts, some of which will have an impact on citizens, were detailed for the Board and can be viewed in their entirety here (FY12-13 Department Budget Reduction Considerations). This is a thorough report that we recommend citizens review as it details the proposed cuts and the impact on County operations. Some of the bigger service level cuts are in the following areas: General Services (trash collection), Libraries, and Real Estate. Currently, the General Assembly is scheduled to reconvene on March 21 to address the budget. In the meantime, Roanoke County staff's work on the next fiscal year budget will continue. The County Administrator is scheduled to present a proposed budget to the Board of Supervisors on April 10.

[Link to Mr. Robertson's PowerPoint – "FY 2012-2013 Budget Development Update"](#)

[Link to Board Report– "FY12-13 Department Budget Reduction Considerations"](#)

During the work session, the Board of Supervisors also discussed funding requests for cultural, tourism, and other agencies. Supervisor Ed Elswick requested to discuss with his fellow Board members how contributions to these agencies are currently decided and whether there is a better way to assign contributions to the various agencies that request funding from the County. The consensus of the Board was to not make any changes to the current criteria but to study the issue over the next nine months in an effort to determine if a better system for funding exists. At the 7:00 p.m. meeting, the Board then heard from the various agencies requesting funding from the County.

[Link to Board Report – "Funding Requests for Cultural, Tourism, and Other Agencies."](#)

VRS Changes Made on Saturday, March 10, 2012

HB 1130

1. After January 1, 2013, average final compensation will be based on highest consecutive 60 months of salary rather than the highest consecutive 36 months. However, as of January 1, 2013, it cannot be lower than the highest consecutive 36 months as of that date.
(grandfathering clause)
2. The multiplier is changing from 1.70 to 1.65 for anyone who does not have 60 months of creditable service as of January 1, 2013 (with proration of multiplier for those hired before January 1, 2013 that do not have 60 months creditable service). This change does not apply to hazardous duty employees.

"The allowance shall equal 1.70 percent of his average final compensation multiplied by the amount of his creditable service. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for a member who does not have at least 60 months of creditable service as of January 1, 2013, the allowance shall equal the sum of (i) 1.65 percent of his average final compensation multiplied by the amount of his creditable service performed or purchased on or after January 1, 2013, and (ii) 1.70 percent of his average final compensation multiplied by the amount of all other creditable service."

3. The Cost of Living adjustment is changing for anyone who does not have 60 months of creditable service as of January 1, 2013.
 - a. Before – CPI shall be considered only to the extent of the first three percent plus one-half of the next four percent of any additional increase, or a maximum increase of five percent in any given year.
 - b. After - CPI shall be considered only to the extent of the first two percent plus one-half of the next two percent of any additional increase, or a maximum increase of three percent in any given year.
 - c. If you retire with reduced benefits, you will not receive the cost of living supplement until one full calendar year after you would have qualified for unreduced benefits.
4. The General Assembly shall set contribution rates that are at least equal to the following percentage of the contribution rates certified by the Board:
 - a. For state employees – *"(i) 67.02 percent for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2012, and July 1, 2013, (ii) 78.02 percent for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2014, and July 1, 2015, (iii) 89.01 percent for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2016, and July 1, 2017, and (iv) 100 percent for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2018;"*
 - b. For teachers – *"(i) 69.53 percent for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2012, and July 1, 2013, (ii) 79.69 percent for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2014, and July 1, 2015, (iii) 89.84 percent for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2016, and July 1, 2017, and (iv) 100 percent for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2018;"*

Note – I compute this rate to be 11.66%. The original Governor's budget included at rate of 11.66%

5. Establishment of a new hybrid retirement system – for new employees hired on or after January 1, 2014. Current employees will have the option to move to new plan. (Will provide details at a later time)
6. New Section on Disability Program for Hybrid Retirement Program – (Will provide details at a later time)

SB497

Requires that persons employed by local government or school board employers be required to pay the five percent employee contribution to the Virginia Retirement System. School board employees would be authorized to phase in the five percent contribution over a maximum of five years. Local employers and school boards would be required to provide employees with a raise to offset the employee contributions.

We are still waiting to see the detailed wording of this bill. Since Roanoke County already requires all Plan 2 employees to pay their own contribution, the exact wording of this bill will determine the extent of the raises. The Governor has said he will ask the General Assembly to adopt an amendment to allow the change to be phased in over five years for localities as well as schools. This amendment will be presented at the veto session on April 18, 2012.

Currently Unknown

1. The standing House Budget Bill (HB 1301) contained Item 468 #5h, which includes political subdivisions in the paragraph that states the contribution rates paid to the VRS shall be based on an assumed 8% rate of return and a 30 year amortization period. Since this language is now in conflict with Item #4 above (which does not include any language related to local governments), we will not know the fate of this until the General Assembly reconvenes on March 21, 2012 and amends the budget bill.

This item has a huge impact on the County budget, estimated at \$2-\$2.5 million

2. The standing House Budget Bill (HB 1301) contains language that sets the teachers retirement rate at 10.23%. This is in conflict with Item 4(b) above, which yields a rate of 11.66%.

This item has a huge impact on the School budget, estimated at approximately \$1 million.

FY2012-2013 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT UPDATE



Board of Supervisors Work Session
March 13, 2012

Agenda



- Economic Indicators
- Revenue Assumptions
 - ▣ Revenue Projections
- Departmental Budget Reductions

Economic Indicators

- ***Indicators of economic activity released over the past few months have tended to exceed consensus expectations; however:***
 - ▣ High-frequency measures of economic activity are possibly overstating the economy's current strength
 - ▣ Possibility that recent signs of stabilization in the European debt crisis will evaporate
 - ▣ Recent jump in gasoline prices
 - Potential for even sharper increases if Middle East tensions erupt into conflict
 - ▣ GDP growth forecast of 2.2% in 2012 and 2.6% in 2013
 - 1.7% in 2011 and 3.0% in 2010
 - ▣ Inflation still expected to slow this year and remain tame in 2013
 - 1.7% in 2012; 1.9% in 2013; 2.1% in 2011

Economic Indicators (continued)

- Unemployment rate is now expected to average 8.3% in 2012; 7.9% in 2013
- Personal consumption is expected to grow 2.1% in 2012; 2.3% in 2013
- Forecasts of growth in residential investment still are improving, although at a gradual rate
 - 2012 projections for housing starts rose to 720,000; 880,000 for 2013
 - 2011 housing starts 610,000
- Vehicles
 - Record age of nations automobile fleet
 - Auto and light truck sales predicted to increase for a 3rd and 4th consecutive year
 - 14 million in 2012; 14.6 million in 2013

Revenue Assumptions

- Real Estate
 - ▣ 2012 reassessment (1.06)%; 2013 assumption (1.50)%
- Personal Property
 - ▣ Increased assessed values provide projected increase in revenue of 2.8% for 2012
 - ▣ 2013 projection at 2.0% growth due to increasing fuel prices/market instability
- Sales Tax
 - ▣ Moderating growth in 2012; Growth at 3.7% in 2013
- Communication Taxes
 - ▣ Declining collections in 2012; holding steady in 2013, less state raid on locality reimbursements (\$187,000 for Roanoke County)

Revenue Assumptions (continued)

- Business License Taxes
 - 1.5% projected growth for 2012; however Y-T-D collections below prior year's; collections finalized end of March
 - 2.15% growth projected for 2013
- Recordation and Conveyance
 - Increased activity currently with growth at 15% for 2012; flat for 2013
- Meals Tax
 - Sustained growth at 5.9%; 2013 growth at 4%
- Charges for Services
 - Increase in rates to equalize with Medicare reimbursement rates
 - Budget increase to reflect increased activity/collections
- Intergovernmental (state and federal)
 - Current projections reflect the Governor's proposed budget at 12/19/11
 - The trend of recent reductions in intergovernmental revenues are expected to continue into the future

Revenue Summary

Adopted FY2012 and Proposed FY2013

	Adopted Budget FY 11-12	Proposed Budget FY 12-13	Increase (Decrease)
Real Estate Taxes	\$88,030,000	\$86,300,000	(\$1,730,000)
Personal Property Taxes	27,340,000	28,215,000	875,000
Other Property Taxes	3,615,000	3,670,000	55,000
Local Sales Tax	9,474,340	9,850,000	375,660
Telecommunications Taxes and Fees	4,200,000	3,713,000	(487,000)
Utility Consumer Tax	3,650,000	3,740,000	90,000
Business License Tax	5,575,000	5,975,000	400,000
Bank Franchise Tax	525,000	525,000	0
Motor Vehicle License Tax	2,020,000	2,175,000	155,000
Recordation and Conveyance Tax	1,075,000	1,175,000	100,000
Hotel/Motel Tax	775,000	700,000	(75,000)
Meals Tax	3,630,000	3,930,000	300,000
Other Local Taxes	711,000	666,000	(45,000)
Permits, Fees & Licenses	575,610	476,560	(99,050)
Fines and Forfeitures	835,400	760,400	(75,000)
Use of Money and Property	269,100	189,100	(80,000)
Charges for Services	622,200	625,200	3,000
Fire & Rescue Fee for Service	2,522,233	2,752,233	230,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,126,120	1,141,120	15,000
Recovered Costs	166,385	166,385	0
Commonwealth	9,857,782	8,523,124	(1,334,658)
Federal	3,740,000	3,275,000	(465,000)
Total Revenue	170,335,170	168,543,122	(1,792,048)
Transfer from Other Funds	660,607	0	(660,607)
Total General Government	\$170,995,777	\$168,543,122	(\$2,452,655)

Revenue Detail

FY2010 through FY2013

	Actual FY 09-10	Actual FY 10-11	FY 2011-2012			% Change FY12 Amend vs. FY11 Actual	Preliminary Projections FY 12-13	% Change FY12 Amend vs. FY13 Proj.	Revenue Change FY12 to FY13
			Adopted	Prelim Adjust	Amended				
Revenue									
Real Estate Taxes	\$87,009,773	\$87,565,271	\$88,030,000	(\$630,000)	87,400,000	-0.2%	\$86,300,000	-1.3%	(\$1,730,000)
Personal Property Taxes	26,728,090	26,898,940	27,340,000	310,000	27,650,000	2.8%	28,215,000	2.0%	875,000
Other Property Taxes	3,512,405	3,523,521	3,615,000	38,000	3,653,000	3.7%	3,670,000	0.5%	55,000
Local Sales Tax	8,331,887	8,806,548	9,474,340	25,000	9,499,340	7.9%	9,850,000	3.7%	375,660
Telecommunications Taxes and Fees	4,065,083	4,167,743	4,200,000	(300,000)	3,900,000	-6.4%	3,713,000	-4.8%	(487,000)
Utility Consumer Tax	3,620,581	3,681,806	3,650,000	0	3,650,000	-0.9%	3,740,000	2.5%	90,000
Business License Tax	5,264,972	6,388,966	5,575,000	275,000	5,850,000	-8.4%	5,975,000	2.1%	400,000
Bank Franchise Tax	530,031	524,556	525,000	0	525,000	0.1%	525,000	0.0%	0
Motor Vehicle License Tax	2,004,301	2,125,698	2,020,000	130,000	2,150,000	1.1%	2,175,000	1.2%	155,000
Recordation and Conveyance Tax	1,188,148	1,024,652	1,075,000	100,000	1,175,000	14.7%	1,175,000	0.0%	100,000
Hotel/Motel Tax	749,047	756,308	775,000	(75,000)	700,000	-7.4%	700,000	0.0%	(75,000)
Meals Tax	3,384,352	3,563,201	3,630,000	145,000	3,775,000	5.9%	3,930,000	4.1%	300,000
Other Local Taxes	691,486	650,714	711,000	(45,000)	666,000	2.3%	666,000	0.0%	(45,000)
Permits, Fees & Licenses	808,141	620,885	575,610	(139,050)	436,560	-29.7%	476,560	9.2%	(99,050)
Fines and Forfeitures	810,241	888,995	835,400	(100,000)	735,400	-17.3%	760,400	3.4%	(75,000)
Use of Money and Property	271,318	192,790	269,100	(80,000)	189,100	-1.9%	189,100	0.0%	(80,000)
Charges for Services*	2,929,337	3,379,179	3,144,433	250,767	3,395,200	0.5%	3,377,433	-0.5%	233,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,219,115	1,285,753	1,126,120	0	1,126,120	-12.4%	1,141,120	1.3%	15,000
Recovered Costs	182,320	189,030	166,385	0	166,385	-12.0%	166,385	0.0%	0
Commonwealth	10,256,151	9,725,395	9,857,782	(232,294)	9,625,488	-1.0%	8,523,124	-11.5%	(1,334,658)
Federal	3,815,504	4,235,100	3,740,000	360,000	4,100,000	-3.2%	3,275,000	-20.1%	(465,000)
Sub-total Revenue	\$167,372,284	\$170,195,049	\$170,335,170	\$32,423	\$170,367,593	0.1%	\$168,543,122	-1.1%	(\$1,792,048)
% Growth	-0.4%	1.7%	0.1%		0.1%		-1.1%		
Non-Revenue/Transfers	2,957,296	1,217,556	660,607	0	660,607	-45.7%	0	-100.0%	(660,607)
Total Revenue	\$170,329,580	\$171,412,605	\$170,995,777	\$32,423	\$171,028,200	-0.2%	\$168,543,122	-1.5%	(\$2,452,655)

Social Services (Federal and State):

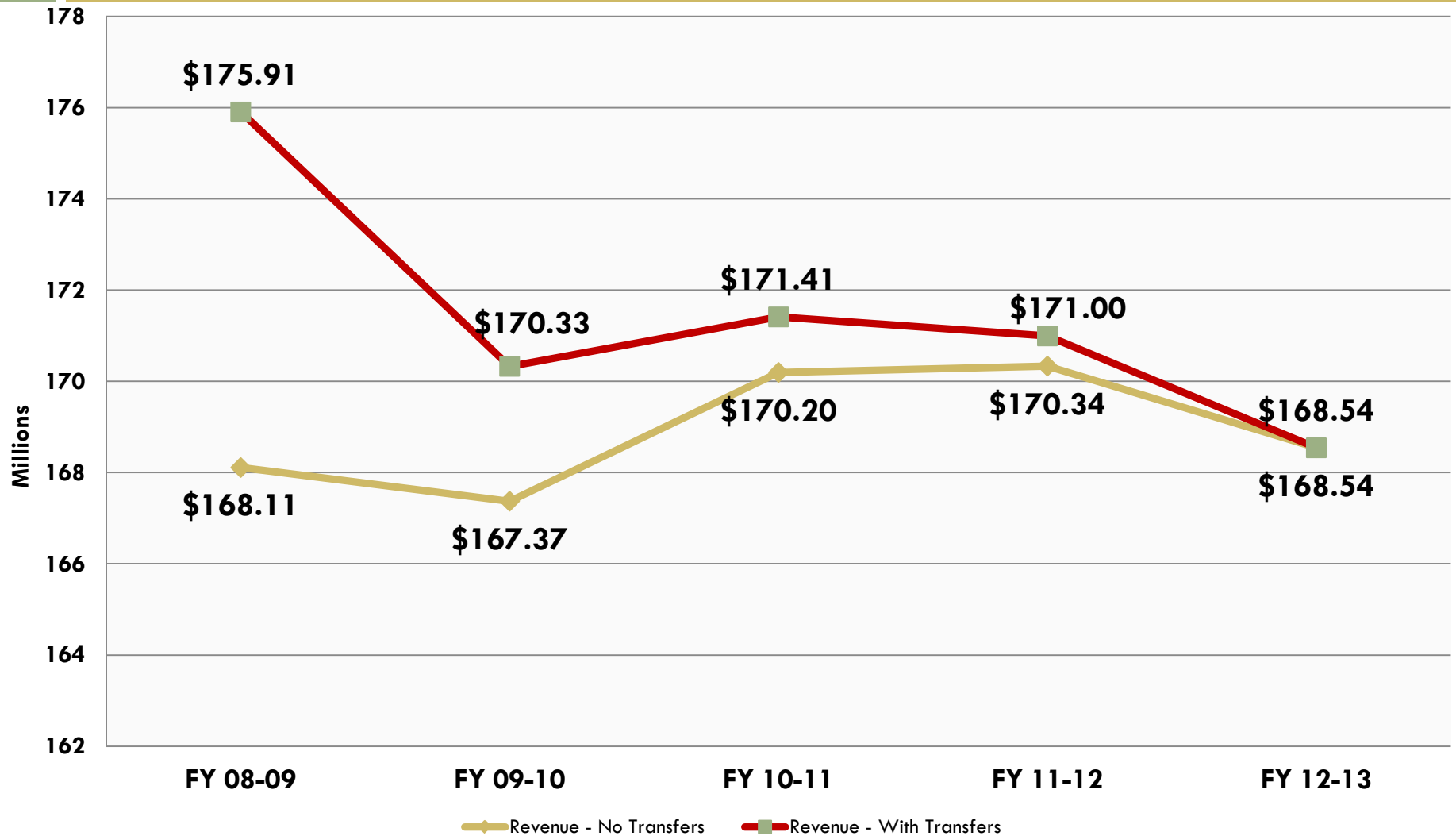
Programatic changes has resulted in reductions in state/federal revenue reimbursement; however, this change had an off-setting reduction in the related expenditures for the program.

1,961,675

Total Revenue ("net" of change in reimbursement procedure)

\$ (490,980)

Roanoke County Revenue FY2009 through FY2013



Departmental Budget Reductions

□ Police

- Vehicle replacement funding - \$120,000

□ Fire and Rescue

- General operating expenses - \$50,000
- ALS fee - upward adjustment of \$130,000 to recognize increase in revenue
- Adjust ALS fee to Medicare rates – additional \$95,000 revenue increase

Departmental Budget Reductions

□ General Services

- Eliminate Freeloader service - \$40,500
- Eliminate dumpster contracts for condos and townhomes - \$33,000
- Eliminate free residential garbage disposal at the transfer station – approx. \$90,000
- Maintenance and repairs reduction - \$41,000

Departmental Budget Reductions

- Communications and Information Technology
 - ▣ Reduced software budget - \$87,750
 - ▣ Eliminate offsite training and travel - \$21,705
 - ▣ Eliminated contingency funding - \$60,000
 - ▣ Preventive maintenance and repairs for towers reduced - \$15,400
 - ▣ ECC equipment budget reduced - \$15,000

Departmental Budget Reductions

□ Community Development

- Eliminate vacant Planner II position - \$55,335
- Eliminate vacant Engineer position - \$64,000

□ Parks and Recreation

- Eliminate vacant Recreation Program Manager - \$62,420
- Transfer Recreation Programmer from General Fund to fee class - \$38,313

Departmental Budget Reductions

□ Social Services

- ▣ State has taken over payments for Child Care Assistance program

- Revenue reduction of approx. \$2 million offset by equal reduction in expenditures and local match is no longer required – net savings of \$215,000

□ Board of Supervisors

- ▣ Part-time funding reduced - \$5,000

Departmental Budget Reductions

- Clerk of the Circuit Court
 - ▣ Storage and maintenance contracts - \$7,500
- Commissioner of the Revenue
 - ▣ Printed forms budget reduced - \$6,000
- Commonwealth Attorney
 - ▣ Furniture and office equipment - \$2,000
- County Administration
 - ▣ Special events, training, and software - \$8,500

Departmental Budget Reductions

- County Attorney
 - ▣ Reduced professional services - \$2,500

- Court Service Unit
 - ▣ Furniture - \$5,000

- Economic Development
 - ▣ Travel and training related to marketing - \$5,500

- Elections
 - ▣ Part-time reduced - \$7,500

Departmental Budget Reductions

□ Finance

- ▣ Vacant Account Representative eliminated - \$35,000

□ Human Resources

- ▣ Eliminate all tuition reimbursement - \$20,000

□ Library

- ▣ Reduced new books and materials
- ▣ Technology replacement budget reduced
- ▣ Miscellaneous operating reductions
- ▣ Total - \$75,000

Departmental Budget Reductions

- Management and Budget
 - ▣ Technology replacement reduced - \$2,500

- Public Transportation
 - ▣ CORTRAN reduced - \$25,000

- Real Estate Valuation
 - ▣ Citizens will no longer receive reassessment notifications if there is no change in value; reduces postage - \$5,000

Departmental Budget Reductions

□ Risk Management

- Occupational Nurse contract eliminated and renegotiated insurance policies - \$50,000

□ Sheriff

- Replaced water valves; reduced water budget - \$32,000
- Part-time clerical position will not be filled - \$17,000
- All non-mandatory training eliminated - \$16,000

Departmental Budget Reductions

- Treasurer

- ▣ Reduced operating expenses related to collection of delinquent taxes, printed forms, etc. - \$13,500

- VA Cooperative Extension

- ▣ Reduced telephone budget - \$3,000



Questions

County of Roanoke
FY12-13 Budget Development
Departmental Budget Reduction Considerations

Department	Reduction
Police <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicle replacement funding will be reduced. This will result in four fewer vehicles purchased per year (at ~\$30,000 per vehicle). This still leaves the department with approximately \$585,000 in vehicle replacement funding. 	\$120,000
Fire and Rescue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department will reduce general operating expenses by \$50,000 with the goal of minimizing impact to operations, to the extent possible. Per prior Board approval, the department will also adjust ALS fees to current Medicare rates. This fee increase will generate an additional \$95,000 of revenue. In addition, for FY10-11, \$130,000 of ALS fees were collected in excess of budget projections. Therefore, an upward adjustment in ALS fees of \$130,000 will be made to recognize the increase in revenue collected. Total increase in ALS revenues will be \$225,000. 	\$50,000
General Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Freeloader service will be eliminated; \$40,500 of savings will be realized through the elimination of the position associated with this service through attrition. An alternative to eliminating this service would be to charge a fee to cover associated costs. Dumpster contracts for specific condominiums and townhomes will be eliminated for a savings of \$33,000. This service is not currently offered to all condominium units within Roanoke County. Free residential garbage disposal at the transfer station will also be eliminated. While the total cost of this program is \$180,000, only a portion (\$90,000) is estimated to be realized as savings due to the uncertainty of the amount of this disposal that will be picked up at the resident's home through normal refuse collection. The department's maintenance and repairs budget was reduced by \$41,000. If this deferred maintenance is not addressed in the near future, the impact will primarily felt by internal customers. 	\$225,000
Communications and Information Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced software support budget by \$89,750. This reduction allows the department to maintain existing contracts for FY12-13 but eliminates any contingency funding for support services related to software. Virtually all offsite training and travel has been eliminated (\$21,705), impacting the ability of staff to stay current and plan ahead for technology services. Contingency funding of \$60,000 has been eliminated. The department will not be able to assist other departments with small projects and unanticipated repairs/replacements. Funding for preventive maintenance and repairs to towers and microwave system has been reduced by \$15,400. The department will have to access its capital maintenance account to make up for the reduction, reducing the amount available for the annual maintenance costs of the radio system. The ECC equipment budget was reduced \$15,000, resulting in less on-site inventory and potential delays in repairs while parts are being shipped. 	\$208,855

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Departmental Budget Reduction Considerations

Department	Reduction
Community Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elimination of a vacant Planner II position for savings of \$55,335. The loss of this position will increase the time required to complete project work and day-to-day workload requirements • Elimination of vacant Engineer position for a savings of \$64,000. This will impact the performance of the Environment and Storm-water Management Pond inspection. • Reduction in miscellaneous operating expenses. 	\$139,000
Parks and Recreation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A vacant Recreation Program Manager position was eliminated for a savings of \$62,420. This resulted in a reorganization of departmental duties at the Brambleton Center. This redistribution of duties will increase employee workloads. • The department transferred a Recreation Programmer position from the County's General Fund to the department's self-funded Fee Class for savings of \$38,313. There will be no impact to this move in terms of service levels as the position will simply be funded by fees generated in the Fee Class account. 	\$100,733
Social Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The state has taken over the funding for Child Care Assistance. The program still exists but the locality is no longer responsible for payments. Therefore, the workload related to this program remains but the overall result is a net savings. The reduction in revenue of approximately \$2 million is offset by an equal reduction in expenditures and the local match is no longer required. 	\$215,000
Board of Supervisors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction taken from part-time dollars. Remaining part-time budget is sufficient for current workload; however, changes in the current business climate that result in an increased workload would stress the department's part-time budget. 	\$5,000
Clerk of the Circuit Court <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Storage and maintenance contracts for the upcoming fiscal year are anticipated to be lower due to reduction in storage costs. 	\$7,500
Commissioner of the Revenue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printed forms budget was reduced which could limit the flexibility and availability of various forms associated with business license renewal, business personal property tax filing, and tax relief filing. 	\$6,000
Commonwealth Attorney <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction was taken in furniture and office equipment. This will have minimal impact on daily operations; however, deferred replacement could be detrimental in future budgets. 	\$2,000

County of Roanoke
FY12-13 Budget Development
Departmental Budget Reduction Considerations

Department	Reduction
County Administration (County Administrator, Assistants, and Public Information) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reductions were taken in various operational accounts, primarily in the areas of special events, training, and software. 	\$8,500
County Attorney <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The \$2,500 reduction in professional services will further limit the department's ability to obtain outside counsel and hamper flexibility in responding to additional legal obligations, should they arise. 	\$2,500
Court Service Unit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The reduction was taken out of the department's furniture budget. This will have little impact on the department's operations. 	\$5,000
Economic Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction was taken in travel and training related to marketing activities and conference participation. This will impair the ability of the department to promote Roanoke County through networking and educational opportunities. 	\$5,500
Elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction was taken from part-time funding. This may affect the timely processing of absentee ballots and voter registrations. 	\$7,500
Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A vacant Account Representative position was eliminated. This will impact the ability of the department to have someone at the front desk to greet patrons, answer the phones, and respond to departmental needs and questions promptly. The action will further shift and realign workloads, and change some processes related to surplus property. 	\$35,000
Human Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuition reimbursement benefit will be completely eliminated. This will be an elimination of a benefit previously offered to Roanoke County employees. 	\$20,000
Library <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding for the purchase of new books and other materials was reduced. While short-term impact is minimal, in the long-term this will increase wait times for new items, decrease the amount of fines collected, and age the library's collection. The department's technology replacement budget was also reduced. This will have the potential impact of more machines out of service and increase wait times for PC use. The department also reduced a number of other miscellaneous operating expenses. Expense line items are already thin due to previous operating reductions and cost increases. 	\$75,000

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Departmental Budget Reduction Considerations

Department	Reduction
Management and Budget <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction was taken out of the department's technology replacement budget. This will result in minimal impact to departmental operations in the near-term. Long-term equipment needs will have to be addressed during future budgets. 	\$2,500
Public Transportation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CORTAN program was reduced by \$25,000. While there is no immediate impact due to this reduction, if transportation grants are reduced then the program would have to be reviewed for efficacy. 	\$25,000
Real Estate Valuation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citizens will no longer receive reassessment notifications if there is no change in value. This change will allow for a reduction in the department's postage budget. 	\$5,000
Risk Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Occupational Nurse position contract was eliminated. In addition, the county's insurance contracts are being renegotiated for a potential savings. 	\$50,000
Sheriff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department was able to reduce its water budget by \$32,000 due to the utility savings resulting from replacement of all of the valves in the jail. A part-time clerical position will not be filled. This will have a minimal impact on departmental operations. All non-mandatory training and professional development programs were also eliminated. The impact of this reduction will be minimal due to the fact that mandatory training will still be offered. 	\$65,000
Treasurer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department reduced a number of miscellaneous operating cost line items. These items were related to collections of delinquent taxes, printed forms, etc. There is minimal impact to these reductions; however, future efforts for collection of delinquent taxes will need to be considered to optimize tax collections. 	\$13,500
VA Cooperative Extension <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The department reduced its telephone budget. There is minimal impact from this reduction. 	\$3,000
Grand Total Department Reductions FY12-13	\$1,402,088

ACTION NO. _____

ITEM NO. P-1

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE ROANOKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER

MEETING DATE: March 13, 2012

AGENDA ITEM: Funding requests from cultural, tourism and other agencies for fiscal year 2012-2013

SUBMITTED BY: W. Brent Robertson
Director of Management and Budget

APPROVED BY: B. Clayton Goodman III
County Administrator

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

This time has been set aside for presentations to allow cultural, tourism and other agencies the opportunity to orally submit funding requests to the Board of Supervisors for inclusion in the fiscal year 2012-2013 budget.

Organizations that submitted funding requests for fiscal year 2012-2013 were instructed to submit an Appearance Request Form to the Clerk to the Board of Supervisor's if they wanted to make an oral presentation. The written requests and accompanying literature submitted by each organization are available in the Clerk's office for your review prior to the presentations.

Attached is a summary that lists each agency's budget history and requested funding amount. At the meeting, budget staff will provide a list of speakers as well as individualized scoring sheets.

Based on input received from the Board, the County Administrator will make recommendations for funding and present them as part of the fiscal year 2012-2013 proposed budget.

**FY2012-2013 Contributions
Cultural, Tourism Other Agencies**

Agency Name	FY11 Adopted	FY12 Adopted	FY2013 Request	Proposed
Art Museum of Western Virginia (Taubman Museum) <i>Contractual Agreement</i>	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
Art Museum of Western Virginia (Taubman Museum) - Roanoke County Schools Education Program <i>Contractual Agreement</i>	\$41,700	\$41,700	\$41,700	\$41,700
Arts Council of the Blue Ridge	\$1,500	\$1,400	\$3,000	
Blue Ridge Soil and Water Conservation District	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$4,000	
Center in the Square Operating	\$33,300	\$34,700	\$40,000	
Center in the Square - Igniting Dreams, Energizing Promises Campaign	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	
Clean Valley Council, Inc	\$1,400	\$1,600	\$3,000	
FRIENDS of the Blue Ridge Parkway	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$13,250	
Harrison Museum of African American Culture	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	
History Museum & Historical Society of Western Va. - O. Winston Link Museum	\$2,800	\$2,900	\$4,000	
History Museum & Historical Society of Western Va.	\$3,800	\$3,700	\$8,000	
Hollins University - The Eleanor D. Wilson Art Museum	\$17,000	\$16,700	\$24,950	
Interstate 81 Corridor Coalition (NEW)	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	
Jefferson Center Foundation	\$1,600	\$1,800	\$8,000	
Mill Mountain Zoo	\$10,000	\$10,300	\$15,000	
Miss Virginia Pageant	\$900	\$1,000	\$1,200	
Miss Virginia Pageant - TV Sponsorship	\$2,400	\$2,500	\$4,950	
Opera Roanoke	\$600	\$700	\$2,500	
Roanoke Higher Education Center	\$10,300	\$10,500	\$11,000	
Roanoke River Basin Association	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	
Roanoke Symphony	\$5,300	\$5,200	\$6,000	
Roanoke Valley Sister Cities	\$1,600	\$2,700	\$2,700	
Salem Museum and Historical Society	\$0	\$700	\$700	
Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame	\$1,500	\$1,400	\$3,000	
Salem/Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce - Operating	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	
Science Museum of Western Virginia - Operating	\$15,900	\$16,000	\$25,000	
Showtimers (NEW)	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	
Small Business Development Center	\$2,900	\$3,000	\$3,000	
Tri-County Lake Administrative Commission (TLAC) Smith Mtn Lake	\$4,700	\$0	\$0	
Vinton Chamber of Commerce - Business Recruitment	\$3,700	\$3,900	\$3,900	
Vinton Dogwood Festival	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Vinton Historical Society	\$1,900	\$2,100	\$10,000	
Virginia Amateur Sports	\$39,780	\$40,000	\$40,000	
Virginia Economic Bridge	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	
Virginia Museum of Transportation	\$4,200	\$4,600	\$5,000	

**FY2012-2013 Contributions
Cultural, Tourism Other Agencies**

Agency Name	FY11 Adopted	FY12 Adopted	FY2013 Request	Proposed
Western Virginia Land Trust	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,500	
Williamson Road Area Business Association	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	
Young Audiences of Virginia, Inc.	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Sub-Total	\$268,480	\$269,800	\$869,550	

Dues & Per Capita Contributions: These funding allocations represent memberships in the specific organization and, by nature, must be funded at the full amount to retain membership.

National Association of Counties	\$1,770	\$1,770	\$1,770	YES or NO
Roanoke Regional Chamber of Commerce - Dues	\$2,615	\$2,630	\$2,630	YES or NO
Roanoke Valley Alleghany Regional Commission	\$57,840	\$62,937	\$63,208	YES or NO
Salem/Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce - Dues	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	YES or NO
Vinton Chamber of Commerce - Dues	\$500	\$500	\$500	YES or NO
Virginia Association of Counties	\$20,458	\$20,458	\$20,391	YES or NO
Virginia First Industrial Authority (Contractual Agreement)	\$34,255	\$34,255	\$34,255	\$34,255
Virginia Institute of Government Membership	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	YES or NO
Virginia Municipal League	\$10,241	\$10,241	\$10,518	YES or NO
Virginia Western Community College - Scholarship	\$13,779	\$13,184	\$15,354	\$15,354
Virginia Western Community College - Site Development (Last year of 5 year capital funding request submitted in FY08-09)	\$36,347	\$40,579	\$40,579	\$40,579
Sub-Total	\$183,805	\$187,554	\$195,205	

Economic Development & Community Investments: These organizations have made prior presentations to the Board and will not participate in the contributions work session. These contributions, in most cases, represent "membership" in the organization; however, the contribution (and the current year's request) is not contractual. Historically, the Board has utilized their discretion in funding increases in contribution requests.

Greenway Commission	\$26,820	\$28,000	\$34,400	
Roanoke Regional Partnership	\$153,262	\$173,756	\$174,456	
Roanoke Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau	\$161,800	\$162,400	\$208,400	
Sub-Total	\$341,882	\$364,156	\$417,256	

Grand Total Cultural, Tourism & Other	\$794,167	\$821,510	\$1,482,011	
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